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## FOR GOOD ROADS

### Sierra Madre Does Her Share Toward Giving Los Angeles County Good Roads.

Los Angeles county voted for progress and prosperity yesterday, incidentally for 307 miles of the finest country roadways in the land. The vote in favor of the \$3,500,000 bond issue was 26,145 to 8,078, or about three to one. Sierra Madre did her full share in rolling up the majority with a vote of 137 to 11 for the bonds.

It had been hoped that Sierra Madre might land the banner offered by the Whittier business men for the city making the best showing in favor of the bonds. To Messrs. Hosmer and Adams belongs a large share of the credit for getting out the the large vote cast in Sierra Madre in favor of the bonds. Theirs was a hard day's work and the results were well worth the effort. While few cities made a better showing in the count than did Sierra Madre there is good reason to be proud of the vote here.

Most of the opposition, in Sierra Madre as elsewhere, came from the sort of people who are chronically "agin things." But there was some fear of graft in the expenditure of the money, in spite of the oft-emphasized fact that no bond issue or appropriation ever had better safeguards against crooked work. But the largest vote against the bonds was cast in Los Angeles where the already high taxes made the addition of 40 cents on \$1,000 valuation loom large in the eyes of taxpayers. To the smaller cities and country precincts belongs the credit for the triumph of the cause of good roads.

Over in Altadena there is a still hunt on for the lone voter who cast his ballot against the bonds. The vote there stood 102 to 1. The citizens of that precinct would like to know who it was that kept them from making a clean score.

The Whittier banner goes to Arcadia, that being the incorporated city with the best showing. But fifty-one votes were cast there. However, fifty of them were for the bonds.

Faith that the good roads would result in increased prosperity in the county at large was exemplified by the result in the country precincts. All incorporated cities in the county will be connected by this system of roads. All culverts will be of the best concrete construction. Bridges will be of steel or concrete. The roadways will be of protected macadam, two layers of crushed rock, each layer thoroughly wetted and compacted, a layer of screenings and a protective layer of asphalt. Within a few years Los Angeles county highways will be synonymous with all that is beautiful and prosperous in country life.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. G. Twycross returned Wednesday after spending a week at their Ocean Park cottage.

## REINWALD MAY GO ABROAD

### Mountain Climber Has an Offer as Guide in the Swiss Alps.

Paul Reinwald, the mountain climber, may return to Switzerland where he has an offer of a position as guide in the Alps, near his former home. He is hesitating over the acceptance of the offer as he has been naturalized and is much in love with this country.

Reinwald has made some remarkable records in the mountains of this vicinity. Last Sunday he ascended Mt. Wilson in one hour and fifty minutes. He returned by way of Sturtevant's camp in two hours three minutes, making the whole trip of about 22 miles in three hours 53 minutes, not counting a short rest at the peak.

The position which has been offered Reinwald will not be open till January. So he may be seen in the next race for the Police Gazette medal which will probably be held in the fall.

## BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST

Harold Costello is acting as soda water chemist and general assistant at Bechtelheimer's.

Miss Andrews of Los Angeles is spending a few days at the home of her friend, Miss Alice Tufts.

Mr. I. S. Watson went to Long Beach yesterday for the purpose of casting his ballot in favor of good roads.

H. A. Jackson of Long Beach has rented the Olsen house on Suffolk avenue and will reside there with his wife and daughter while he is building on Bonita avenue.

Leigh Smith and W. G. Ross went to the mountains Monday afternoon "loaded for deer" but returned next morning with only the memory of a very strenuous tramp.

Mr. Greer Caskey landed his second deer, the limit for the season, Monday morning. The game was brought down near the ridge between the Big Santa Anita and the West Fork.

Mr. C. S. Kersting came up from Ocean Park yesterday to cast his vote for good roads and progress, returning to join his family in the evening. They will return to Sierra Madre Saturday.

Maybe you thought it was going to be a warm day when you peeped out of doors this morning. Forget it. You were surely mistaken. A lady went past the News office this morning wearing a fur cape.

Manager J. W. Keys of the L. W. Blinn Lumber Co. has just completed a warehouse for cement, lime, etc., beside the spur recently put in by the Pacific Electric. This will greatly facilitate the handling of materials of this class and is an addition to the equipment of the yard much needed in caring for the rapidly growing business.

## INDIANS HOLD POW WOW

### Red Skins Gather Beneath the Oak Tree at the Rice Home.

Decidedly novel and certainly one of the most entertaining social events of the summer was the "corn roast" given by Minnehaha and Pocahontas, sometimes called the Misses Meta and Alta Rice, last Friday night. About thirty young people responded to the "birch-bark" invitations, which specified that the affair was in honor of Miss Hazel Hill and Mr. W. G. Ross who were soon to leave for the east.

Gathered by the big oak tree at the Rice home, probably the largest and finest tree in town, the guests found nearby a blazing campfire which was kept burning throughout the evening. All had been requested to wear war-paint, feathers and blankets. The result was rather startling when the tribe assembled 'round the fire. Not less startling to the neighbors were the war-whoops of the braves who went in pursuit of the paleface boys who dared approach the charmed circle. Some of the make-ups were extremely realistic.

Rehearsals of tribal traditions by various braves and squaws were listened to with rapt attention by all. This was followed by the corn roast. No one who has not tasted sweet corn roasted on a sharpened stick over a bed of coals knows how delicious it can be. One nut brown maiden who had tramped from afar to the pow wow confessed to eating five ears. Paleface songs followed as the tribe sat around the fire, and it mattered not that some of them were rather more sentimental than Indian braves are supposed to care for. A farewell peace dance around the fire and under the oak tree concluded the festivities.

## M'CONNELL-BLUMER

### Quiet Wedding Ceremony Takes Place at the Hart Home.

Tuesday evening at the home of Prof. J. J. Hart on Central avenue the wedding of Miss T. May McConnell and Mr. Philip W. Blumer took place. Rev. Dr. Campbell performed the ceremony. None but relatives and very close friends of the bride and groom were present. The wedding service was impressively simple.

The bride, whose parents reside in Ohio, has been employed for some time as a stenographer in the First National Bank of Los Angeles. She is deservedly popular among her acquaintances as a charming young lady of much true worth.

Mr. Blumer is well known in Sierra Madre where he has lived during the most of his life. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Blumer, now abroad. He holds a responsible position with the First National Bank, Los Angeles. For the present he and his bride will occupy his father's residence on Auburn avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Flint and the boys leave soon for Bay City where they will spend a two-weeks outing.

## SEE US GROW!

### Sierra Madre Shows Unexampled Building Activity for Summer Season.

Who said anything about business depression or summer dullness? It was not Manager Keys of the Blinn Lumber Co. Not many people have been aware of it, but the month of July has been one of the best months, if not the best, in building activity in the history of Sierra Madre.

Take a ride or a stroll about town and see the large number of new dwellings in course of erection. Homes are the making of any city. And for a suburban city like Sierra Madre which is distinctively a residence community, as against a business place, the continued progress of home building is cause for more than ordinary gratification.

Further proof than the facts mentioned above as to the substantial growth of Sierra Madre is contained in the statement of Manager Keys regarding the sales of lumber for the month. More lumber has been sold during July than during any previous month, with one exception. The exception was a month when about 100,000 feet of lumber was sold for the new school house. Because of present low prices the receipts for the month have not been so large as at some other times. But the showing is a good omen for continued growth of this city.

### NEW OFFICE NEARLY READY.

Within the next month the Sierra Madre Telephone Co., will be housed in the neatest and most up-to-date quarters occupied by any phone company in the country. The building is practically completed and the work of installing the equipment and making connections is going forward rapidly. It is possible that a reception will be held and the public invited to inspect the quarters when they are ready for occupancy. Manager Farman would be counting the days till that happy time if he knew just how many to count, but he thinks it will be about two weeks.

### TO ERECT NEW CHAPEL.

It is reported that Contractor F. H. Jewell has secured the contract for the erection of the Roman Catholic chapel on the lot recently purchased for that purpose on upper Baldwin avenue. The cost of the building will be about \$3,000.

### To Lower Water Mains.

Stockholders in the water company are voting by mail upon a proposition to spend about \$1,800 in replacing and lowering about 5,000 feet of mains on Grand View avenue. The old pipes are so rotten they would not stand the strain of lowering which will be necessary before the grading and oiling can be done on that avenue. The directors have therefore asked authority from the stockholders to proceed with the work, which seems to be in the interest of economy.



**Arrivals at Hotel Shirley.**

Miss Helen Barks, P. B. Fairly, Mrs. E. T. McKenny, John A. Pinsen, A. Caskey, Mrs. Caskey, Morton Caskey, E. J. Juggrest and wife, Beaulah Juggrest, Miss Butterworth, Los Angeles; Mrs. Emma Lamphere, Long Beach; Leo F. Mackay, Ocean Park; L. Wickland, Pasadena; Sandford Reck and wife, Hollywood.

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**Ordinance No. 64**

An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre declaring its intention to improve a portion of Grand View Avenue in said city of Sierra Madre.

The Board of Trustees of the city of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows:—

Sec. 1. That the public interest and convenience require, and that it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre to order, the following work to be done, to-wit:—

1st. That Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east to the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, including all intersections, (excepting such portions of said street and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon, and also excepting such portions as have already been graded to the official grade, oiled and accepted by said city), be graded and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the grading and oiling of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 10.

2nd. That a cement curb be constructed along both sides of said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, (except along such portions of said street where a cement or granite curb has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), according to the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city for such work, and specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 2.

3rd. That a cement gutter two feet in width be constructed along the south side of Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west to a point 630 feet easterly thereof, and thence five feet in width to the westerly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east; and a cement gutter two feet in width along the northerly side of Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west to a point 570 feet easterly thereof, and thence three and one-half feet in width to the westerly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east, (except along such portions of said street where a cement or granite gutter of said dimensions has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the construction of cement gutters on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 8.

4th. That cement box culverts be constructed of the size and dimensions and where shown on the plans and profiles for said Grand View avenue, along and across said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and according to plans of the numbers shown on said plans and profiles for the construction of cement box culverts, and specifications for the construction of cement box culverts on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 9.

5th. That cement swales be constructed where shown and indicated and of the size and dimensions shown on the plans and profiles for such work, along and across said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the construction of cement swales on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 7.

Sec. 2. The Street Superintendent shall post notices of this work, as required by law, and shall cause said notice to be published once per week for two successive weeks in the "Sierra Madre News," a weekly newspaper published and circulated in said city of Sierra Madre, and hereby designated for that purpose.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be published once per week for two successive weeks in the "Sierra Madre News," said newspaper hereby designated for that purpose, and shall post the same conspicuously for two days on or near the chamber door of the place of meeting of the Board of Trustees of said city, and thereupon and thereafter the same shall take effect and be in force.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the city of Sierra Madre held on the 23d day of July, 1908, by the affirmative vote of at least three trustees, to-wit:—

Ayes: Messrs. Graham, Hosmer, Krafft, Pegler and Jones.  
Noes:—None.

And signed and approved this 23d day of July, A. D., 1908.

C. W. JONES,  
President of the Board of Trustees.  
Attest:— J. A. MADDEN,  
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